

Clinical Health Care & Services

Communicable Disease Investigation

Investigation of causes and sources of communicable diseases in Davie County. Enforcement of appropriate treatment and control measures to prevent the spread of identified diseases such as salmonella or hepatitis.

General Clinic

The following screening / testing services are offered by appointment to persons of any age: blood pressure, blood sugar, pregnancy testing, allergy injections, vision, hearing, blood lead screening, sickle cell, AIDS antibody, hemoglobin or hematocrit, breast mammogram referral. Fees for services are determined using a sliding fee scale based on income and family size.

Health Education

Health education services are component of every program offered by the Health Department. Educational efforts are provided to clients, schools, and community groups in the areas of disease prevention, healthy lifestyle promotion, and environmental health compliance.

Immunizations

Immunization for measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, tetanus, chickenpox, Hepatitis B, and haemophilus influenza B are provided free to preschool and school-age-children in accordance with North Carolina law. Adults may also receive immunizations upon request. Immunizations are given by appointment.

Laboratory Services

Provides diagnostic laboratory support for the health department clinical programs. Some patient and environmental health specimens are collected and/or forwarded to the North Carolina State Laboratory or through contracted private laboratories for processing.

Vital Records and Administrative Services

The Davie County Health Department is a provider of statistical health data for Davie County. Information is available on the number of county births and deaths, leading causes of death, and the incidence of communicable disease. This data assists local and state health personnel in preparation for promotion and disease prevention programs.

Parenting Education

Six class sessions (1 evening per week) are offered by the Health Department. Topics discussed are: newborn care, infant growth and healthy development, feeding methods, nutrition and dietary habits of young children, childhood injury prevention and safety, Psychological aspects of child-rearing, making plans for the arrival of an infant and domestic violence.

Sickle Cell Testing Program and Genetic Counseling

Sickle cell testing is provided by Health Department medical staff. Counseling for Sickle Cell and other genetic abnormalities is provided by State program staff.

SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) Counseling

A special counseling service is provided by Health Department personnel trained in the area of grief counseling for parents who have lost a child to SIDS.

Teen Health Promotion Clinic

Offers health services by appointment to teens (10-19 years old) two Saturday mornings per month. Services include: health risk behavior assessments, physical exams, sports physicals, immunizations, pregnancy testing, diagnosis, treatment and counseling for communicable diseases, and age appropriate health and nutrition information.

Welcome Home Baby Program

Provides Davie County parents of newborn infants with health promotion and disease prevention

information. A Public Health Nurse contacts parents of a newborn infant (under one month of age) to arrange a time to conduct a "Welcome Home Baby" visit. The nurse provides information on childhood immunizations, growth and development issues, infant nutrition, injury prevention, sleeping positions, well child care, sibling rivalry, and family planning.